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Appointment of Harijans as Honorary Bench Magistrates in Malabar.

* 1273 *Q.*—Sri M. CHADAYAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the number and names of Harijans appointed as Honorary Bench Magistrates in Malabar district?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The following five Harijans (members) have been appointed as Honorary Bench Magistrates in Malabar district :—

(1) Sri R. Marimuthu.

(2) Sri K. Eacharan.

(3) Sri Parappurath Chathukutty.

(4) Sri K. Sankaran.

(5) Sri G. M. Kuttappa."

Sri M. CHADAYAN :— 'മലബാറിൽ എത്ര ബെഞ്ചുമജിസ്ട്രേട്ടുകോടതികളുണ്ട്?. അവയിലെല്ലാം, ഓരോ ഹരിജനെങ്കിലു ബെഞ്ചുമജിസ്ട്രേട്ടായി നിയമിക്കാൻ ഗവമെ്മന്റിന്ന് ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ ? "

Sri KUNHI MOHAMAD SHAFEE (translation) :—" May I know the number of Bench Magistrates' Courts in Malabar, the places where these courts are functioning and may I also know whether the Government will consider the desirability of appointing a Harijan in each of these courts? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Government's intention is to have at least one Harijan in each of the Bench Magistrate's Court. But sufficient number of people are not coming forward to serve in that capacity."

Sri S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" If there is only one single Harijan available and he has not got the requisite educational qualification, will the Government select him? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Only properly qualified person will be selected."

Annapurni chatram charities of Peruvalandan, Mannargudi taluk, Tanjore district.

* 1274 *Q.*—

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri C. Kandasamy is not in his place. The question and answer will be printed in the proceedings."

Sri C. KANDASAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Commissioner for Religious and Charitable Endowments has received any representation stating that the endowed property belonging to Annapurni Chatram Charities of Peruvalandan, Mannargudi taluk of Tanjore district, has been partitioned by the trustee's family as private property; and

(*b*) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (a) Yes. Representations were received both by the Commissioner and the Government.

(b) Enquiry showed that the property in question was not endowed absolutely in favour of the charity and that it was only charged with a liability for contributing to the maintenance of the chatram; that the trustee, while partitioning the major portion of the property among his sons, had made adequate provision for the continuance of the charity and that the charity was being properly conducted. The Government therefore decided that there was no case for extending the Madras Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act, 1951, to this charity."

Production of dry vaccine lymph in the King Institute, Guindy.

* 1275 *Q.*—

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri M. S. Mogral is not in his place. The question and answer will be printed in the proceedings."

SRI M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state whether the King Institute, Guindy, has been able to produce dry vaccine lymph for smallpox vaccination?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Yes, Sir, on an experimental basis."

Removal of silt from the Buckingham Canal.

* 1276 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have taken any steps to remove the silt from the Buckingham Canal and to remove bad smell in the summer season;

(b) the annual expenditure incurred by Government on the removal of silt from the Canal;

(c) how many drainages in the City are connected to this Canal; and

(d) whether the Government will order to divert these drainages to the underground sewage system of the Corporation of Madras?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) The Buckingham Canal gets silted up during the monsoon floods and silt clearance is being done in the following summer, when the water level in the Canal goes down. The Canal in the city limits is generally flushed by manipulating the valve gates of the locks, when the Adyar, Cooum and Ennore bars are working. When the water level goes down to 21 feet exposing islands, which tend to emanate a bad smell, sea water is pumped into Cooum river.